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Ernest Bowman brick house
Greensboro
Private

Northwest of Greensboro is the Ernest Bowman farm with its late Federal brick dwelling. Its facade is very similar to the Enterprise near Goldsboro except that this house has a corbeled brick cornice. Its walls are all laid in common bond, and the windows of the five-bay facade have 9/6 sash throughout.

The plan of the house consists of a central stair hall with room on each side. A 20th century wing is built on its west gable and over one bay of the north facade. Near the house stands an early plank smokehouse with original iron strap hinges and riven oak clapboard on the gables.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Ernest Bowman Brick House

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Cherry Lane, approximately .8 mile west of Cedar Lane

CITY, TOWN

Greensboro

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

First

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Caroline

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Ernest Bowman

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Rt. 1, Box 178

CITY, TOWN

Greensboro

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21639

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Caroline County Courthouse

Liber #: 110

Folio #: 448

STREET & NUMBER

Market Street

CITY, TOWN

Denton

STATE

Maryland 21629

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☒ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Ernest Bowman brick house is located on Cherry Lane approximately .8 mile west of Cedar Lane, north of Greensboro, Caroline County. A Federal style residence, it has a one story twentieth century addition attached to the west gable end.

The original structure was probably built in the first or second decade of the nineteenth century. It is a two story, five bay house with the brick laid in common bond. The main facade has four foundation windows at ground level, a central six paneled door with a four pane transom, a one bay, one story entrance porch (rebuilt), and 6/9 pane sash windows in the other bays. All of the windows have brick flat arch lintels constructed with a row of single vertical stretchers. The first and second floor windows formerly had shutters. The cornice has three courses of headers stepped out from the wall surface. The brick chimneys are interior gable end and the roof is presently asbestos shingled. There are casement windows in the gable ends. The rear facade has a central doorway and one off-set window to provide interior lighting for the staircase.

The interior has been remodeled and replastered but retains its original doors and trim except for the chair rails. The trim is of the late Federal period, as is the open string staircase which runs to the attic.

There is a significant outbuilding on the property which is a smoke house of log construction and with riven oak clapboards in the gables. It has one original strap hinge.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The original section of the Ernest Bowman brick house was built in the early part of the nineteenth century and is a fine example of the late Federal style in Caroline County. The symmetrical facade, the two room with a central passage floor plan, and the restrained interior wood trim are characteristic of this period. This particular example has a severely plain facade caused partially by a visual vertical emphasis through the effect of the 9/6 windows, the narrow main entrance with a four pane transom, the sharp contrast of the roof material and color, and the height of the chimneys. The twentieth century addition is more horizontally oriented and, although it carries over the roof material and three course header brick cornice, it remains a disjointed extension of the house through its fenestration and other facade details.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

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ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust

DATE

February, 1977

STREET & NUMBER

Shaw House, 21 State Circle

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Annapolis

STATE

Maryland 21401

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

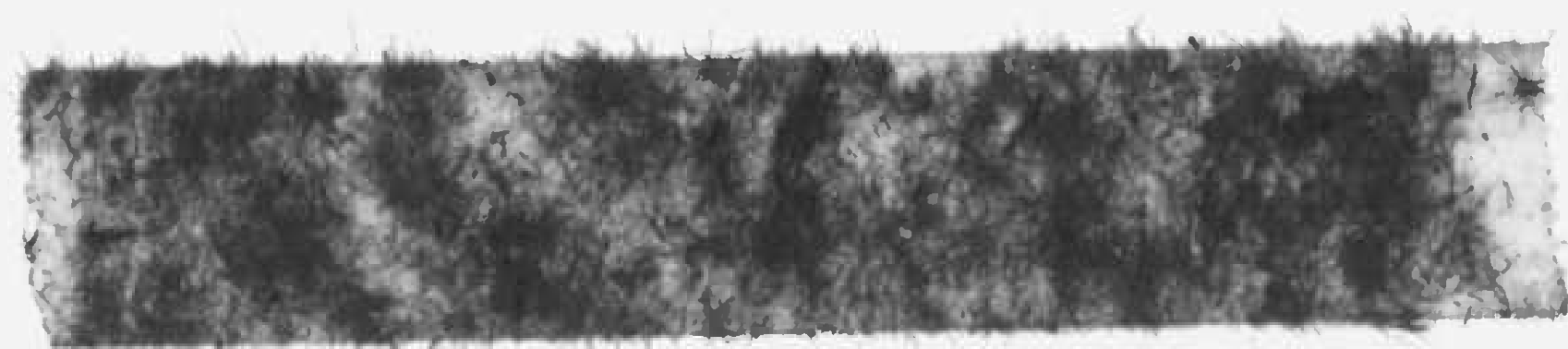
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